

Ruby Dies Of Cancer

DALLAS (UPI) —Jack Ruby, the killer of presidential assassin Lee Harvey Oswald, died of cancer today in the same hospital where both President Kennedy and Oswald died three years ago.

Parkland Hospital announced that Ruby sank into a coma and died at 10:30 a.m. CST (11:30 a.m. EST) of the widespread cancer discovered in his body last month.

Hospital Assistant Administrator Peter Geilich said he had no further details. He scheduled a news conference for 2 p.m. CST (3 p.m. EST).

Ruby was the last vital link with the assassination of President Kennedy, and he went to his death with controversy still swirling over the presidential murder.

One of his last acts was to deny, in a secretly made tape recording from his hospital bed, that there was any conspiracy involved in the killing of Oswald.

Members of Ruby's family were with him when he died on the seventh floor of the sprawling Dallas hospital.

His sister, Mrs. Eva Grant, came out of the room and told a reporter "Jack is dead."

Justice of the Peace W. E. Richburg was summoned to the hospital to pronounce Ruby dead.

Ruby died on a chill, windy, winter morning. It was a hot, muggy day in Dallas when Oswald was killed with a single shot from Ruby's 38-caliber revolver—two days after Oswald killed the President with a high-powered rifle from the sixth floor of the Texas Schoolbook Depository Building.

Ruby was reported conscious and still alert Monday. "He just went to sleep" today, a hospital source said.

